The Catholic Parishes of Buntingford and Old Hall Green & Puckeridge

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The Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 10th November 2024

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November is the time when the Church remembers those who have gone before us. We remember today all those who have been killed fighting for their country, especially in the two world wars. The scriptures tell us that one day Jesus will return in glory as the world comes to an earthshattering conclusion. As frightening as the warnings are, they are accompanied by assurances that God Remains with us. Always. Indeed, soon we will be reminded that Emmanuel means 'God is with us.' Jesus – Emmanuel – will return in glory at the end of time. Let us pray in thanksgiving today for God's abiding presence with us here on earth. *From "Pastoral Patterns" © 2023 World Library Publications*

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK



Buntingford

Sunday 10th November	**The Thirty Second Sunday**	9.15am People of the Parish
Tuesday 12th November		7.30pm
Sunday 17th November	**The Thirty Third Sunday**	9.15am People of the Parish

Puckeridge

Sunday 10th November	**The Thirty Second Sunday**	11.00am People of the Parish
Thursday 14th November		12.30pm
Sunday 17th November	**The Thirty Third Sunday**	11.00am People of the Parish

Prayer Intentions. At this time of the year we are asked to pray for: Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; The Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

For those who are ill: Colin Horgan
For those who have died recently: Marilyn Haughton,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

Thank you for last week's offertory collection, which came to £115.94 at Puckeridge; and at Buntingford **£117.22**, **and for your regular standing orders.**

Refreshments after Mass. There will be refreshments after the 9.15am Mass this Sunday morning as usual. We look forward to seeing you there. You are especially welcome if you are visiting this parish this weekend.

Puckeridge. The 11.00 Mass is now being celebrated at Puckeridge each week. If you are attending Mass at Puckeridge regularly, please sign up today for one of the ways in which you can help. The School Car Park will be available for Parishioners to use between 10.30 and 1.00pm each Sunday. **The gates will close automatically at 1.00pm.**

The Holy Souls. Please take the purple sheet and envelope from the porch and return them as soon as possible with the details of those who have died so that we can offer prayers for them this month.
On Friday 22nd November there will a Mass at 8.00pm in St Richard's Church for the Holy Souls. We will remember by name the people from the two Parishes who have died in the past year.

Remembrance Sunday. Following the remembrance ceremony at the war memorial in Buntingford today, there will be a special service at the United Reformed Church on Baldock Road. Please do come along.

Assisted Dying. Please contact Chris Hinchcliff, MP, to urge him to vote against the bill to legalise assisted dying which will be voted on in Parliament on Friday 29th November.

Lights of Life. Churches Together will have a stall at the annual Christmas lights event on Friday 29 November. We need volunteers from our parish to take turns running the stall. Please sign up on the list in the porch.

Advent. To mark the start of Advent, please join us at the morning of reflection, followed by a shared lunch, in Benson Hall from 10.00 – 12 noon on Saturday 30th November. Sign up in the porch if you would like to join us.

Christmas Tree Festival. We plan to enter the Christmas Tree Festival at Aspenden Church on the weekend of 13th/14th December. Please speak to Deacon Paul if you would like to help to decorate our tree.

Holy Hour. Each Friday between 5.00 and 6.00pm St Richard's in Buntingford will be open for a time of quiet prayer and adoration. Please feel free to join us for the whole hour or to pop in for just a few minutes. **This week, in response to the Cardinal's request, we will have a particular focus on the Dignity of Human Life.**

Mass Intentions. If you would like a Mass Offered, please write the details on an envelope along with your Offering, and hand it in at the Sacristy after Mass. Deacon Paul will arrange a suitable date for you.

Parishioners Details Forms. If you have not done so already, please take one light green form per household from the porch to complete and hand it in to Deacon Paul next week.